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United States Environmental Protection Agency
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RE: The Chemical Recovery Systems Site, Elyria OH

Dear Ms. Mangrum:

Invitrogen Corporation is in receipt of EPA's Notice of Potential Liability and Request for Information regarding the Chemical Recovery Systems Site in Elyria, Ohio, dated September 21, 2005. Invitrogen is successor in interest to the Dexter Corporation. The purpose of this letter is to confirm that Invitrogen wishes to negotiate a resolution of Dexter's potential responsibility in connection with the Site. Specifically, as discussed with Tom Nash, Associate Regional Counsel for EPA, Invitrogen is interested in negotiating a de minimis settlement to fully resolve its potential liability for the "Dexter Corporation" share in this matter.

As successor in interest to the Dexter Corporation, Invitrogen is in the process of drafting a response to the Request for Information. We hereby request an extension of 30 days to file this response. Given that Dexter was dissolved in September 2000 and is no longer in business, it will take some time to locate and review any relevant records. Please let us know if you are willing to grant this extension by contacting the undersigned via e-mail at Lori.Manca@invitrogen.com, or by calling 240-379-4687.

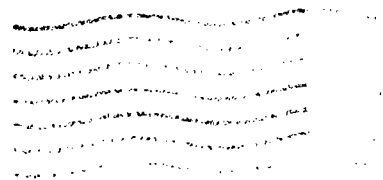
Sincerely,

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